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Sir:

This amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated July 28, 1999, which set a three-month period for response, making this amendment due on or before October 28, 1999. Accordingly this response is timely filed.

In view of the remarks set forth below, reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested.

## I. AMENDMENTS

Please amend the application as follows:

## In the claims

Please enter new claims 17-24. Please enter the amendments to claims 1-7, 9-11, 13, 15, and 16, as follows:

1. (Amended) A method of detecting the presence of a bipolar mood disorder susceptibility polymorphism [locus] in an individual comprising:

analyzing a sample of DNA from said individual for the presence of a DNA polymorphism is the short arm of chromosome 18 between SAVA5 and ga203 wherein said DNA polymorphism is associated with a form of bipolar mood disorder.

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